

**REMARKS**

Favorable reconsideration of the present patent application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments.

In this Amendment claims 1, 5-7, 10, 14, 22, 24-25, 33 and 35 are amended, claims 4, 8, 15, 21 and 32 are canceled, and no claims are added. As a result, claims 1-3, 5-7, 9-14, 16-20, 22-31 and 33-39 are now pending in the application.

The rejections pending in the final Office Action of May 16, 2007 are obviated in view of the present amendments. A full examination of the application is respectfully requested in view of the claims as they are presently pending.

*Examiner Interview*

The Applicants wish to express their gratitude to Examiner Prabhakher for his time and courtesy during the brief telephone interview of September 11, 2007, during which inquiry was made by Applicants' undersigned representative about entry of the present Amendment following the final rejection. Since the amendments would pose further consideration, entry at that juncture was not granted. Therefore, the present paper was filed in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

*Deposit Account Authorization / Provisional Time Extension Petition*

It is believed that the attached RCE Transmittal attends to the fees necessary for this paper, and no extension of time is necessary. However, to the extent necessary, a provisional petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 is hereby made.

Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 50-0439 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. However, in the event there are any unresolved issues, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact applicant's representative, Scott Richardson, by telephone at (571) 748-4765 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,



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